

Senate File 2212 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to chiropractic treatment for animals by
2 persons licensed to practice chiropractic.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 151.9, Code 2022, is amended to read as
2 follows:

3 **151.9 Revocation or suspension of license.**

4 1. A license or certificate to practice as a chiropractor
5 may be revoked or suspended when the licensee or certificate
6 holder is guilty of the following acts or offenses:

7 ~~1.~~ a. Fraud in procuring a license.

8 ~~2.~~ b. Professional incompetency.

9 ~~3.~~ c. Knowingly making misleading, deceptive, untrue, or
10 fraudulent representations in the practice of the licensee's
11 profession or engaging in unethical conduct or practice harmful
12 or detrimental to the public. Proof of actual injury need not
13 be established.

14 ~~4.~~ d. Habitual intoxication or addiction to the use of
15 drugs.

16 ~~5.~~ e. Fraud in representations as to skill or ability.

17 ~~6.~~ f. Use of untruthful or improbable statements in
18 advertisements.

19 ~~7.~~ g. Willful or repeated violations of the provisions of
20 this chapter or [chapter 272C](#).

21 2. The board shall not revoke or suspend a license or
22 certificate to practice as a chiropractor for services provided
23 pursuant to section 169.4B.

24 Sec. 2. Section 169.4A, subsection 2, Code 2022, is amended
25 by adding the following new paragraph:

26 NEW PARAGRAPH. c. Apply to a chiropractor registered
27 pursuant to section 169.4B who is providing chiropractic
28 services to an animal.

29 Sec. 3. NEW SECTION. **169.4B Chiropractic services to an**
30 **animal — registration.**

31 1. The board shall grant a registration to a chiropractor
32 licensed pursuant to chapter 151 to provide chiropractic
33 services to an animal if all of the following requirements are
34 met:

35 a. The chiropractor submits proof of a current, valid

1 license issued pursuant to chapter 151.

2 *b.* The chiropractor holds a current, valid certification
3 from the American veterinary chiropractic association.

4 *c.* The chiropractor submits an application in a form
5 prescribed by the board.

2. A registration issued pursuant to this section shall be valid for three years. The board may impose a fee of twenty dollars for the issuance and renewal of a registration pursuant to this section.

3. The board, after due notice and hearing, may revoke or suspend a registration issued pursuant to this section for any reason that the board may discipline a veterinarian licensed to practice veterinary medicine. The board shall not revoke or suspend a person's license to practice chiropractic.

15 4. The board shall adopt rules for the implementation
16 of this section, including a process for the receipt and
17 investigation of complaints. However, the board shall not
18 impose a fee pursuant to rule on a person who is registered
19 under this section.

20 5. Nothing in this section shall prohibit a veterinarian
21 licensed to practice veterinary medicine from providing
22 chiropractic services to an animal.

EXPLANATION

24 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
25 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

26 This bill relates to the provision of chiropractic services
27 to an animal by a person licensed to practice chiropractic.
28 The bill requires the board of veterinary medicine to grant
29 a registration to a person licensed pursuant to Code chapter
30 151 (chiropractic) to provide chiropractic services to an
31 animal if the person holds a current, valid certification from
32 the American veterinary chiropractic association, submits an
33 application to the board, and pays a fee of \$20. The bill
34 prohibits the board from imposing any other fee pursuant to
35 rule. A registration to provide chiropractic services to an

1 animal is valid for three years. The bill does not prohibit a
2 person licensed to practice veterinary medicine from providing
3 chiropractic services to an animal.

4 The board of veterinary medicine may suspend or revoke a
5 registration to provide chiropractic services to an animal
6 for any reason for which the board may discipline a person
7 licensed to practice veterinary medicine. The bill prohibits
8 the board of chiropractic from revoking or suspending a license
9 or certificate to practice chiropractic for services provided
10 to an animal by a person registered to provide such services.